

CORRESPONDENCE.

Correspondents will please send their items so as to reach this office not later than Tuesday morning in order to insure insertion. Promptness in this matter will assist the management materially in getting out the Advocate on time. Please bear this in mind and give us your news as early in the week as possible.—Editor.

Holden, Ky.

Wm. Hubbard, traveling salesman for F. Maer & Co., of Lexington, Ky., was here last week with an up-to-date spring line of dry goods and notions. Walton Bros. bought a nice bill and will be ready to serve the wants of the people when spring comes.

Judge and Mrs. J. S. Miller were up from Barbourville Sunday. Please are their object.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hawn, of near Barbourville, were visiting her father, Robert Morris, this week.

We are very sorry to learn that George Messer's wife, who has been sick for a long time, is much worse. LATER—We hear that Mrs. George Messer died Monday evening. She leaves a husband and several small children. We extend our deepest sympathy.

Mrs. Rhoda Walton is very sick this week.

L. R. Yeager went to Coalport Monday on business.

John Clark and wife were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Rich Sunday.

Miss Mable Henson, of this place, is visiting her brother at Pineville this week.

J. H. Walton is suffering badly with several large boils on his neck.

Isham Unthank was in Corbin last week on business.

J. W. Morris moved a saw mill to Whitesburg Saturday and will be ready for sawing in a few days.

R. L. Henson and Josh Parrott's residences are being greatly improved by having a new fence placed around them.

Lawson G. Rasnick was in Barbourville Saturday on business.

W. F. Westerfield was over Tuesday surveying out the land of J. T. Hopper.

L. R. Morris, of Wilton, was visiting his father a few days this week.

John Morris and wife were in Barbourville Saturday.

Preston Short went to Girdler the early part of the week.

Farming has commenced; fencing, grubbing, and plowing. Seems like the farmers mean business since the oil boom is dead.

Pal Messer was in Flat Lick Tuesday on business.

At the home of the bride's father, Sunday. Mr. Joseph Powell and Miss Bettie Rich, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony, Rev. E. M. Ketrone performing the ceremony. We wish them a long and happy union.

Finley Smith and Gen. Lee Higgins went to Richland Sunday.

Mrs. J. L. Dozier, of Barbourville, spent Friday with her mother, Mrs. Miller.

Robert L. Henson was in Pineville Monday on business.

John and James Kindred were over from Trace Branch Saturday on business.

Rev. W. C. Judd, Mr. Ridnor and Miss Laura Judd were in Barbourville Monday and returned by way of Holden.

Miss Clara Henson must be going to housekeeping, as she purchased a beautiful set of dishes Monday, consisting of one plate. VERDANT.

Whitesburg.

The Whitesburg Telephone Company is now at work on the line from Stonega, Virginia to this place. We will then be connected with the different parts of the country.

W. M. Vermillion, of East Bend, is bad off with the measles at this writing.

Clarence Craft, of Big Stone Gap,

Virginia, formerly of this place was visiting friends and relatives here during the past week.

Dr. John Collins, of Colson, was in town to-day on business.

Wash Jenkins a member of the National Guard and teacher of Letcher county got into a shooting affray with Green Hall, in which several shots were fired but neither were seriously hurt. Jenkins received a slight flesh wound in the neck. Hall a slight wound near the abdomen. More trouble is expected as the Jenkins' are very bad class of people.

James J. Webb, Bottom Fork, a member of the firm Webb & Webb, recently moved from Mayking and located in town. We are glad to have Mr. Webb with us.

Henderson Mullins the clerk for Webb & Webb made a business trip to East Bend Saturday.

Felix G. Fields the stenographer has left for Louisville to take a course in law.—Success to you Felix.

John D. Fugate the and saw mill man, of Bottom Fork, was here Monday on business.

Dr. J. D. Fitzpatrick, has returned from Louisville Medical College, on a visit and will go back next week.

The Sunday School here is progressing nicely with Rev. Lander as instructor.

Company "H." of the National Guards will be mustered out soon, the guns and equipments have already been sent to the Arsenal at Frankfort. "OLD BLACK JOE."

Flat Lick.

Miss Sudie Smith spent several days in Barbourville last week.

Mrs. D. Slusher has been very sick the past week, but is convalescing.

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Hawn and two daughters, Eva and Axie, spent Sunday in Corbin.

Mr. and Mrs. Ret Farmer were the guests of Mrs. and Mrs. E. R. Coone for the past week.

George and Frank Brawley, of Ironton, Ohio, were the guests of their sister, Mrs. H. J. Scott: They were very much pleased with the Southern people.

Miss Myrtle Dewitt entertained the "Reading Circle" Thursday night at the home of Mrs. J. N. Archer. All report an enjoyable time. Miss Minnie Coone won the prize for giving the best proposal of marriage.

W. A. Yeager and Miss Stella McCary were out driving Sunday afternoon.

H. C. Boston has gone to Texas to bring his mother home with him.

We are sorry to announce the death of Mrs. John Calebs.

Mrs. Margaret Hawn is building an addition to her home.

John Yeager and family are boarding at Renfros.

It is rumored that smallpox is in Needmore.

G. M. Smith spent several days in Louisville last week.

Andrew Hunter left Monday night for Attica, Ind., where he will spend the summer with his brother, Abe Hunter.

Quite an enjoyable time was spent at the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Scott Saturday night, quite a number being present.

Tom Slusher made a flying trip to Pineville last week.

George Hendrickson, of Four Mile, spent Sunday with Eve Bargo.

Joe Cox, of Corbin, was here Sunday to see his best girl, Miss Pearl Hunter. He left Sunday night for St. Louis, where he will spend several months.

Mrs. Charley Grove, of Pineville, was the guest of her grandmother, Mrs. Shafers, Sunday.

Annette and Walter Scott have returned home from London, where they have been attending school. BUSY BEE.

[From another Correspondent.]

The Methodist preacher filled his regular appointment here Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Myrtle Dewitt entertained the Flat Lick Literary Club at Mrs. J. N. Archer's on Thursday evening. Delightful refreshments were served.

LOOK!

A Special Great Inducement.

Never in all your life have you had so liberal and exceedingly valuable offer made to you as is contained in this proposition. Read every line of it and start out at once to win a valuable prize.

We have just purchased Three Lovely and Valuable pieces of Jewelry, at a cost of \$115.00 which we propose to Give Away to the THREE PERSONS who prove by their efforts to be the most popular, between now and June 1st, 1904, at 12 O'clock noon, when this Contest will close.

EVERYONE can act as an Agent for the MOUNTAIN ADVOCATE, and solicit subscribers at \$1.00 per year in advance, and for every dollar turned in to us, we will send the ADVOCATE one year to the subscriber, and credit the person soliciting the order with 20 votes in the popular contest.

Description of Prizes to be Given Away. ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦

The First Prize, A Large and exceedingly beautiful Diamond Ring In Solid Gold Setting.

This is no imitation, but A GENUINE DIAMOND, VALUED AT \$75.00 and we will, if necessary furnish the WRITTEN GUARANTEE OF THE JEWELER, as to its being A REAL,

Genuine Diamond.

The Person Securing the Largest Number of Votes Will Receive this Handsome Ring Absolutely FREE, as their Reward.

The Second Prize,

Will be CHOICE of either a Large and Exceedingly Handsome SOLID GOLD BROOCH, Set With SIX LARGE OPALS, The Value of Which is \$20.00. Or if they prefer, they may have A Handsome GREEN ENAMEL and GOLD, Ladies WATCH, Set With PEARLS, and PIN to Match, The Value of which is also \$20.00. The person who secures the Second Highest number of votes will be given CHOICE of these two Prizes, either or which any Lady would be proud to wear.

The Third Prize,

Will be given to the person receiving the Third Highest number of votes, and will be either the Brooch or the Watch, the winner of the Second Prize having first choice and the winner of the Third Prize taking the other.

Everyone Has an Equal Chance to Win. ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦

Do Not Let Anyone Get The Start of You.

The plan is simple and easy to understand. Every Cash Subscription of \$1.00 to the MOUNTAIN ADVOCATE will entitle the one securing it to 20 votes in this contest and the one who secures and sends in the Highest number of Cash Subscribers between now and June 1st, will receive the First Prize, and the one sending the Second Highest number will receive the Second Prize, while the one sending the Third Highest number will get the Third Prize.

NOW LADIES, see who can win. Get your friends to work for you. Any one can enter the Contest. See your friends and tell them that you want that Diamond Ring and get them to work for you and credit the subscriptions so secured to your list. Remember We Do NOT Take Subscriptions For Less Than One Full Year.

WE will publish the list of contending candidates for these Prizes, giving credit every week with the additional votes secured, so that each one can see how diligently the other is working. No votes will be permitted to be changed from one contestant to another after they have been recorded in this Office.

Start Now, Get In The Push. ♦ ♦

You are as popular as any one else. Get your Father, Brother or Sweetheart to start you with 20 votes and then push on into the thousands. It is easy and pleasant work, and think of the Valuable, Handsome, Diamond Ring, Beautiful Solid Gold Brooch, or the Little Beauty Watch and Pin you will receive as your reward.

All of these Prizes can be seen at the FIRST NATIONAL BANK at any time, and we will take pleasure in showing them to those who are earnestly striving to win one of them.

In Remitting, Make all Checks or Money Orders Payable to D. W. CLARK, and Address all

Orders to **THE MOUNTAIN ADVOCATE, Barbourville, Ky.**

THOSE WHO HAVE ENTERED AS CONTESTANTS FOR THE PRIZES

NAME	ADDRESS	NUMBER OF VOTES
Mr. T. Ed Smith,	Barbourville, Ky.	360
Miss Minnie Coone,	Flat Lick, Ky.	80
Miss Sudie Smith,	Flat Lick, Ky.	60
Miss Nannie Westerfield,	Artemus, Ky.	40
Mrs. Lewis Lane,	Barbourville, Ky.	40

Every one reports an enjoyable evening.

J. W. Baker, of Barbourville, spent Sunday and Monday here.

Mrs. and Mrs. L. W. Farmer were the guests of Mrs. E. R. Coone last week.

Mrs. Will S. Harkness, of Jellico, spent last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Yeager.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Scalf gave a dance in honor of the young folks Saturday evening.

Miss Sudie Smith is visiting friends in Barbourville this week.

E. W. Morris and Charles Chandler were registered at the Archer House Monday.

Dr. S. M., who has been very ill at the Archer House for the past week, was able to return to Pineville Sunday evening.

Mrs. H. C. Mills, of Dewitt, spent a few days this week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Smith.

Little Lucile Boston celebrated her ninth birthday yesterday afternoon by giving her little friends a peanut party.

Miss Stella McCleary, who has been visiting her uncle, Gen. Smith, here, expects to return to her home at Stanford soon. ADELLA.

Bailey's Switch.

Dear Editor:—After a few weeks

drop out I will try once more to write to your paper.

I am glad to tell you that after a long illness, trouble and worry that I am improving and that hereafter I will be with you regular.

Mesdames W. B. King and J. T. Chelt, of Pineville, were here last week visiting Mr. and Mrs. E. Hutchins.

Mrs. W. B. King says that she is always glad to get the MOUNTAIN ADVOCATE, and especially to see the Bailey Switch news, for she has an uncle and aunt living at this place.

John and Sherman Taylor, Jr., of Ferndale, were down Sunday to see W. S. Taylor, their brother and uncle. W. S. TAYLOR.

Scalf.

Messrs. G. B. Jackson and Joe P. Dicky will move to Flat Lick in a short time.

Grant Hammons shot Levi Bargo last Sunday through the arm. The facts of the case have not yet been made known, but it is believed to have been done without a cause.

G. M. Dean, of Flat Lick, was here Tuesday buying furs.

Mr. Wm. Hubbard, of Cranes Nest, was in our midst last week with a full line of samples.

T. G. Hammons will preach at Salt Gum church Saturday and Sunday. Subscribe for the ADVOCATE. "PATSY."